

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Mezes, *et al.*

Serial Number: 10/044,564

EXAMINER: Robert A. Wax

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ART UNIT: 1653

For: Proteins and Nucleic Acids Encoding Same

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants request a petition for a three-month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) in which to respond to the Restriction Requirement dated June 28, 2004. With the extension, the response is due on or before Monday, August 30, 2004 (August 28, 2004 being a Saturday). Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$55.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 21402-240 (Cura-540). A duplicate of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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